#### THE CALIFORNIA DEBT LIMIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

#### May 15, 2019 Staff Report

# REQUEST FOR A QUALIFIED PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND ALLOCATION FOR A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECT

Prepared by: Chee Thao Yang

Applicant: City of San Jose

**Allocation Amount Requested:** 

**Tax-exempt:** \$23,000,000

**Project Information:** 

Name: Lenzen Square

**Project Address**: 790 Lenzen Avenue

**Project City, County, Zip Code**: San Jose, Santa Clara County, 95113

**Project Sponsor Information:** 

Name: Lenzen Square Community Partners, LP (WNC-Lenzen

Square Community Partners GP, LLC; FFAH V Lenzen

Square, LLC)

**Principals:** Will Cooper Jr. for WNC Lenzen Square Community Partners

GP, LLC; Deborrah A. Willard for FFAH V Lenzen Square,

LLC

**Property Management Company:** FPI Management, Inc

**Project Financing Information:** 

**Bond Counsel:** Stradling, Yocca, Carlson & Rauth

Private Placement Purchaser: RedStone
Cash Flow Permanent Bond: Not Applicable
Public Sale: Not Applicable

Underwriter: Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Credit Enhancement Provider: Not Applicable

Rating: Not Applicable

**TEFRA Noticing Date:** February 14, 2019 **TEFRA Adoption Date:** March 25, 2019

**Description of Proposed Project:** 

State Ceiling Pool: General
Total Number of Units: 88

Manager's Units: 1 Unrestricted

**Type:** Acquisition and Rehabilitation

**Population Served:** Family

Lenzen Square Apartments is an existing project located in San Jose on a 1.60-acre site. The project consists of 87 restricted rental units and 1 unrestricted managers' unit. The project has 38 studio units, 38 one-bedroom units, and 12 two-bedroom units. The renovations will include some building exterior upgrades. Building exterior renovations will consist of window replacements, re-roofing, and a fresh coat of paint. Individual apartment units will be updated with countertops, cabinetry, flooring, new refrigerators, ranges, range hoods and dishwashers. Lastly, common or site area renovations will consist of ADA updates, parking lot, and site fencing. The rehabilitation is expected to begin in June 2019 and be completed in December 2019.

#### **Description of Public Benefits:**

Percent of Restricted Rental Units in the Project: 100%

26% (23 units) restricted to 50% or less of area median income households.
 74% (64 units) restricted to 60% or less of area median income households.

**Unit Mix:** Studio, 1 & 2 bedrooms

The proposed project will not be receiving service amenity points.

#### **Term of Restrictions:**

**Income and Rent Restrictions:** 55 years

# **Details of Project Financing:**

<b>Estimated Total Development Cost:</b>	\$	32,500,702
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Estimated Hard Costs per Unit: \$ 30,470 (\$2,681,360 /88 units including mgr. unit)

Estimated per Unit Cost: \$ 369,326 (\$32,500,702 /88 units including mgr. unit)

Allocation per Unit: \$ 261,364 (\$23,000,000 /88 units including mgr. unit)

**Allocation per Restricted Rental Unit:** \$ 264,368 (\$23,000,000 /87 restricted units)

Sources of Funds:	Construction		]	Permanent	
Tax-Exempt Bond Proceeds	\$	20,000,000	\$	13,519,000	
Tranche B Financing	\$	3,000,000	\$	3,000,000	
LIH Tax Credit Equity	\$	2,851,939	\$	10,044,521	
Deferred Developer Fee	\$	3,880,715	\$	3,169,133	
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Total Sources	\$	32,500,702	\$	32,500,702	

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# **Uses of Funds:**

\$ 21,000,000
\$ 2,911,957
\$ 75,000
\$ 214,510
\$ 75,000
\$ 56,050
\$ 2,520,620
\$ 160,000
\$ 324,000
\$ 5,750
\$ 312,647
\$ 964,453
\$ 3,880,715
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Total Uses \$

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#### **Analyst Comments:**

None

## **Legal Questionnaire:**

The Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the application. No information was disclosed to question the financial viability or legal integrity of the Applicant.

## **Total Points:**

50.5 out of 140 [See Attachment A]

#### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the Committee approves \$23,000,000 in tax-exempt bond allocation.

# ATTACHMENT A

# **EVALUATION SCORING:**

Point Criteria	Maximum Points Allowed for Non- Mixed Income Projects	Maximum Points Allowed for Mixed Income Projects	Points Scored
Preservation Project	20	20	0
Exceeding Minimum Income Restrictions:	35	15	33
Exceeding Minimum Rent Restrictions  [Allowed if 10 pts not awarded above in Preservation Project]	[10]	[10]	10
Large Family Units	5	5	0
Leveraging	10	10	0
Community Revitalization Area	5	5	0
Site Amenities	10	10	7.5
Service Amenities	10	10	0
New Construction or Substantial Renovation	10	10	0
Sustainable Building Methods	10	10	0
Forgone Eligible Developer Fee (Competitive Allocation Process Only)	10	10	N/A
Minimum Term of Restrictions (Competitive Allocation Process Only)	10	10	N/A
Negative Points (No Maximum)	-10	-10	0
Total Points	140	120	50.5